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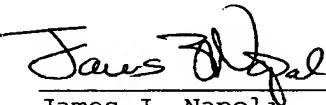
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We also enclose a copy of a PCT Search Report for the convenience of the examiner.

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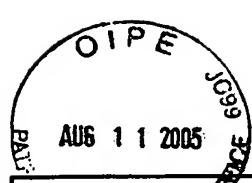
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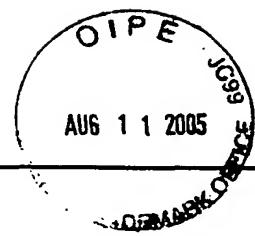
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